

**Senate Referral:** S. 1107 was held at the desk.

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6660.

**Quorum Calls Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and thirteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6677, H6693–94, H6694, H6694–95, H7064–65, H7065, H7065–66, H7066–67, H7067, H7067–68, H7068–69, H7069, H7069–70, H7070–71, H7071, and H7071–72. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:32 a.m. on Thursday, September 7, 2017.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **THE SHARING ECONOMY: CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INNOVATION AND FLEXIBILITY**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Sharing Economy: Creating Opportunities for Innovation and Flexibility”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **POWERING AMERICA: REEVALUATING PURPA’S OBJECTIVES AND ITS EFFECTS ON TODAY’S CONSUMERS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Powering America: Reevaluating PURPA’s Objectives and its Effects on Today’s Consumers”. Testimony was heard from Darwin Baas, Director, Department of Public Works, Kent County, Michigan; Kristine Raper, Commissioner, Idaho Public Utilities Commission; and public witnesses.

### **EPA OVERSIGHT: UNIMPLEMENTED INSPECTOR GENERAL AND GAO RECOMMENDATIONS**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “EPA Oversight: Unimplemented Inspector General and GAO Recommendations”. Testimony was heard from Alfredo Gómez, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; and Alan S. Larsen, Counsel to the Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency.

### **LOW COST, HIGH IMPACT: COMBATTING THE FINANCING OF LONE-WOLF AND SMALL-SCALE TERRORIST ATTACKS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Terrorism and Illicit Finance held a hearing entitled “Low Cost, High Impact: Combatting the Financing

of Lone-Wolf and Small-Scale Terrorist Attacks”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 2661, the “State Mineral Revenue Protection Act”; H.R. 2907, the “Planning for American Energy Act”; and H.R. 3565, the “Federal Land Freedom Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2018**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee concluded a hearing on H.R. 3354, the “Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018” [Make America Secure and Prosperous Appropriations Act, 2018]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a structured rule for further consideration of H.R. 3354. The rule provides that no further general debate shall be in order. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report, amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution, and available pro forma amendments described in section 4 of House Resolution 500. Each further amendment printed in the report may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before action thereon, shall not be subject to amendment except amendments described in section 4 of House Resolution 500, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the further amendments printed in the report or against amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides that it shall be in order at any time for the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee to offer further amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in the report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees, shall not be subject to amendment except amendments described in section 4 of House Resolution 500, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodlatte and Representatives Calvert, McCollum, Culberson, Serrano, Graves of Georgia, Quigley,

Cole, DeLauro, Polis, Lee, Barr, Blumenauer, Coffman, Heck, Crawford, Jackson Lee, Langevin, Griffith, Plaskett, Jenkins of West Virginia, O'Rourke, Lewis of Minnesota, Raskin, Murphy of Pennsylvania, Scott of Virginia, Perry, Titus, Rohrabacher, and Maxine Waters of California.

### **EXAMINING THE SCIENTIFIC AND OPERATIONAL INTEGRITY OF EPA'S IRIS PROGRAM**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment; and Subcommittee on Oversight held a joint hearing entitled "Examining the Scientific and Operational Integrity of EPA's IRIS Program". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **EXPEDITING ECONOMIC GROWTH: HOW STREAMLINING FEDERAL PERMITTING CAN CUT RED TAPE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Expediting Economic Growth: How Streamlining Federal Permitting Can Cut Red Tape for Small Businesses". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISSING FROM THE LABOR FORCE: EXAMINING DECLINING EMPLOYMENT AMONG WORKING-AGE MEN**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing entitled "Missing from the Labor Force: Examining Declining Employment among Working-Age Men". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR DISABILITY BENEFITS: CHALLENGES FACING THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing entitled "Determining Eligibility for Disability Benefits: Challenges Facing the Social Security Administration". Testimony was heard from Bea Disman, Acting Chief of Staff, Social Security Administration; Kathryn Larin, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

## ***Joint Meetings***

No joint committee meetings were held.

## **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### **Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2018", and an original bill entitled, "Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2018", 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 1463, to amend the Financial Stability Act of 2010 to modify the term of the independent member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, and the nominations of Joseph Otting, of Nevada, to be Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, and Randal Quarles, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Reappointment), and to be Vice Chairman for Supervision of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine evaluating sanctions enforcement and policy options on North Korea, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph Balash, of Alaska, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Ryan Douglas Nelson, of Idaho, to be Solicitor, both of the Department of the Interior, and Richard Glick, of Virginia, and Kevin J. McIntyre, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine the Children's Health Insurance Program, focusing on the path forward, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine stabilizing premiums and helping individuals in the individual insurance market for 2018, focusing on governors, 9 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold oversight hearings to examine Federal infrastructure permitting and the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 705, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a national criminal history background check system and criminal history review program for certain individuals who, related to their employment, have access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities, and the nominations of Kurt G. Alme, to be United States Attorney for the District of Montana, Donald Q. Cochran, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee, Russell M. Coleman, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, Bart M. Davis, to be United States Attorney for the District of Idaho, Robert J. Higdon, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Brian J. Kuester, to be United States Attorney for